

sistent, its podetia shorter and becoming intensely yellow with KOH. Neither author mentions any tendency in the plant to vary and it is to be noted that, so far as the descriptions indicate, both consider it strictly squamulose. Nevertheless it often occurs in a more or less densely squamulose condition¹ and as this condition is taken to constitute a formal character in this genus, the variation should be recorded in order to bring the species into agreement with current practice. A pale-fruited state, not before described but similar to recorded states of *C. cristatella*, *C. pyxidata* and other species should also be noticed.

C. BEAUMONTII (Tuck.) Vainio f. **elegans** f. nov., podetia squamulose throughout; otherwise similar to the typical form of the species.
f. **pallida** f. nov., apothecia pallid or pale flesh color.

The squamulose state is well exhibited and common in the wooded country about Buzzards Bay. Material from Florida in the writer's herbarium approaches it. The pale-fruited state is rare.

ONSET, MASSACHUSETTS.

LATE-BLOOMING VIOLETS IN CONNECTICUT.—On October 25, 1924, I found several plants of *Viola scabriuscula* in bloom in Suffield. In size and appearance these plants resembled those of the species as they are found in the spring, when the first few flowers open. A few buds were seen, but no capsules were formed from these unseasonable flowers.

These plants were growing in a swamp from which the timber had been cut, probably in the winter of 1922-3. The ground was screened and protected by small growth and trimmings from the felled trees, while a wooded slope on the west sheltered the spot from the prevailing cold winds.

On Nov. 2, and again on Nov. 15, I gathered, on a sandy knoll with a western exposure, several blossoms of *Viola pedata*.—JESSE F. SMITH, Suffield School, Suffield, Connecticut.

¹ Robbins, C. A. *Cladonia Beaumontii* in Massachusetts. *RHODORA* 25: 46-47. 1923.